## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: ASBESTOS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL DOCKET NO. 875

GRADY O. HUMPHREYS, et al., vs. A.O. SMITH ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS COMPANY, et al.

> THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

GRADY O. HUMPHREYS, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:07-CV-607-WKW

ASBESTOS DEFENDANTS: A. O. SMITH ELECTRICAL PRODUCTS COMPANY, a division of A.O. SMITH CORPORATION, et al.,

Defendants.
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# JOINDER AND ADOPTION IN MOTION TO DISMISS, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, MOTION TO SEVER AND FOR MORE DEFINITE STATEMENT

COME NOW Defendants Union Carbide Corporation, Foseco, Inc., Maremont Corporation and Bayer Cropscience, Inc. F/K/A Aventis Cropscience USA, Inc. (F/K/A Rhone Poulenc Ag Company, Inc. F/K/A Rhone Poulenc, Inc., F/K/A Union Carbide Agricultural Products, Inc. F/K/A Amchem Products, Inc., A Successor To Benjamin Foster Company), incorrectly sued as Bayer Cropscience, Inc., individual and as successor to Aventis Cropscience USA, Inc. f/k/a Rhone Poulenc Ag Co., f/k/a Amchem, Products, Inc., Benjamin Foster Co., and hereby join in and adopt as though fully set forth Motion to Dismiss, or in the Alternative, Motion to Sever and for More Definite Statement filed by Sunbeam Products Incorporated herein on April 30, 2008.

WHEREFORE, for all the arguments, citations to authority and for all other grounds the court deems applicable, Defendants Union Carbide Corporation, Foseco, Inc., Maremont Corporation and Bayer Cropscience, Inc. F/K/A Aventis Cropscience USA, Inc. (F/K/A Rhone Poulenc Ag Company, Inc. F/K/A Rhone Poulenc, Inc., F/K/A Union Carbide Agricultural Products, Inc. F/K/A Amchem Products, Inc., A Successor To Benjamin Foster Company) respectfully request this Honorable Court to grant Motion to Dismiss, or in the Alternative, Motion to Sever and for More Definite Statement filed by Sunbeam Products Incorporated herein and to further grant all additional relief this Honorable Court deems necessary and proper.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of May, 2008.

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### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this date served the foregoing on all counsel by electronic filing and served Plaintiffs' counsel at the following address by U. S. Mail, with proper postage affixed:

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This 19th day of May, 2008.

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